

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the work stated on a new water treatment plant at Allahabad has since been stopped;
- (d) if so, the reasons for stopping the work there; and
- (e) by when the work on the new water treatment plant is likely to start to tide over the shortage of potable drinking water problem in Allahabad ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U VENKATESWARLU) : (a) and (b) The U.P. Jal Nigam has reported that there is no acute shortage of potable drinking water in Allahabad. However, there is some shortage in certain pockets of the city due to power failure as a result of which the water supply is 170-175 mld as against the total requirement of 200 mld.

(c) The work started on a new water treatment plant at Allahabad has not been stopped.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

### Backlog of SC/ST Vacancies

3978. SHRI V. PRADEEP DEV : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the backlog of posts reserved for SC and ST in the services of Indian Oil Corporation, ONGC, Gas Authority of India Ltd., Oil India during the last three years as on January 31, 1997;

(b) the specific efforts made during these years to fill these backlog and the number of time advertisements to fill these backlog were issued and whether relaxation in standard permissible under rules were also included in these advertisements; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and how these organisations then propose to fill the backlog of reserved posts ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU) :

(a) The backlog of vacancies reserved for SC and ST in services of IOCL, ONGC, GAIL and OIL during the last three years is given below :-

Name of PSU	1.1.95		1.1.96		31.1.97	
	SC	ST	SC	ST	SC	ST
IOCL	9	25	—	—	17	27
ONGCL	73	83	170	183	146	140
GAIL	23	36	31	46	44	47
OIL	87	44	82	21	91	29

(b) The specific efforts made during the last three years by these PSUs. to fill up the backlog of above vacancies are mentioned below :-

- A Special Recruitment Drive was launched by each PSUs., in 1995 and 1996 to fill up the backlog of vacancies reserved for SC and ST.
- Camp recruitments were made to recruit SC/ST candidates.
- All the vacancies in group 'A' were advertised in leading National News papers and vacancies in group 'C' and 'D' were notified to local employment Exchanges. All relaxations permissible under the rules were included in the advertisements/notifications.

(c) Does not arise.

[Translation]

### Employment Schemes

3979. SHRI KACHARU BHAU RAUT : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the details of various employment schemes under operation in the urban areas;

(b) the total number of mandays generated, State-wise; and

(c) the total amount provided to the State Governments for the purpose during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) Two Centrally

sponsored Urban Employment programmes namely, Nehru Rozgar Yojana (NRY) and Prime Minister's Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme (PMI UPEP) are being implemented in the country.

**NRY** The Nehru Rozgar Yojana is being implemented since October, 1989 with the objective of generating employment opportunities for the employed and under-employed urban poor living below the poverty line. The employment contemplated is of two types; self employment through setting up of micro enterprises and wage employment through the creation of useful public assets in low income neighbourhoods and also through the housing and shelter upgradation.

**PMIUPEP** The Prime Minister's Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme (PMI UPEP) was launched in November, 1995 to create a conducive environment for a significant improvement in the quality of life of the urban poor

through a whole-town, multi-dimensional and integrated approach to the economic, social and physical conditions of those below poverty line in small urban agglomerations having a population between 50,000 and 1,00,000. Provision of employment to the unemployed and under-employed urban poor through setting up of self employment ventures is one of the many components of the programme.

(b) and (c) **NRY** : The total number of man-days of employment generated and the amounts providing to the State Governments during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise are given in the attached Statement.

**PMIUPEP** : There is no wage employment component under this scheme and, therefore no mandays of employment are created under this programme.

A sum of Rs. 105.00 crores has been released for 1995-96 under the programme to States/UTs.

#### Statement

##### Nehru Rozgar Yojana

(Figures in lakhs) (Rs. in lakhs)

S. No.	Name of State/UT	No. of mandays generated upto 28.2.97	Amount provided to the State Government during the last three years		
			1993-94	1994-95	1995-96
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Andhra Pradesh	20.44	679.53	508.90	463.50
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	2.20	19.75	45.09	57.20
3.	Assam	7.48	89.49	184.72	147.20
4.	Bihar	41.16	359.30	429.95	471.45
5.	Goa	1.19	17.85	18.25	18.30
6.	Gujarat	12.93	212.52	194.45	215.90
7.	Haryana	6.96	123.29	122.72	111.99
8.	Himachal Pradesh	3.01	56.19	64.75	66.15
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	4.89	87.48	73.61	77.88
10.	Karnataka	35.76	440.17	398.25	252.06
11.	Kerala	10.07	234.82	241.58	154.60
12.	Madhya Pradesh	32.64	684.48	595.03	508.25
13.	Maharashtra	50.20	669.50	494.85	521.33
14.	Manipur	2.31	43.33	66.42	62.91

1	2	3	4	5	6
15.	Meghalaya	0.77	24.10	22.27	31.80
16.	Mizoram	1.00	21.74	29.06	27.58
17.	Nagaland	—	15.70	21.95	3.50
18.	Orissa	14.98	219.80	168.50	156.60
19.	Punjab	6.37	216.47	196.12	105.60
20.	Rajasthan	20.12	319.50	361.55	330.37
21.	Sikkim	0.73	29.68	29.15	28.46
22.	Tamil Nadu	40.34	765.58	631.76	563.49
23.	Tripura	1.77	25.50	28.81	26.411
24.	Uttar Pradesh	109.73	1711.54	1549.54	1138.89
25.	West Bengal	26.61	259.00	392.18	441.00
26.	A & N Island	0.20	13.53	21.21	16.70
27.	D & N Haveli	0.46	13.86	15.79	12.03
28.	Daman & Diu	0.41	11.05	10.35	9.65
29.	Lakshadweep	0.13	18.25	13.82	22.00
30.	Delhi	N.A.	22.00	22.00	22.00
31.	Pondicherry	0.42	11.70	27.30	18.60
Total		455.28	7477.00	6980.00	6084.00

[English]

#### Exploration of Gas

3980. SHRI GORDHANBHAI JAVIA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government has stopped the exploration of Gas in the desert of Kutch;

(b) If so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government propose to restart the exploration there very soon; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU) :

(a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise in view of (a) above. However, in order to accelerate exploration and to augment the indigenous production Govt. of India has been offering exploration acreages in Kutch area. The blocks GK-ON-90/2 and GK-ON/4 in Kutch onland offered under fourth and seventh round respectively have been approved for

award, subject to finalisation of contract terms and conditions.

#### Assistance for drinking water schemes

3981. SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the government have sought assistance from the various international agencies for drinking water supply in the urban areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government have recommended for external funds for any schemes submitted in this regard by the Government of Orissa;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the schemes pertaining to drinking water supply in the urban conglomeration of Dhenkanal, Anugul and Bhuban is one of these; and

(f) if so, the funds likely to be obtained for implementation of urban water supply schemes ?